

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD

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| 1. DATE - TIME GROUP<br>15 August 65 16/0405Z  | 2. LOCATION<br>Thackery, Ohio   |
| 3. SOURCE<br>Civilian  | 10. CONCLUSION<br>A/C   |
| 4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS   | No data to indicate that sighting could NOT have been an A/C. Except for abrupt change in direction, and the duration this report resembles a Satellite. Witness has made multiple reports.   |
| 5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION<br>15 Minutes   | 11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS  |
| 6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION<br>Ground-Visual  | Object as bright as the stars close to it. Looked like a bright star. Changed brightness and appeared to stand still at times. Dimmed for about 5 seconds. No sound. Looked like a star only appeared to be much closer. No trail. Came from East and then turned North. Appeared to stop when it changed directions. Speed very fast. At high angle of elevation. Witness has made multiple reports. Others in Psychological category. This report sufficiently clear to evaluate, although the stopping duration was not included and the duration excessive the general tone of the report in view of the witness imagination is that an A/C was the likely culprit. |
| 7. COURSE<br>West then North   |   |
| 8. PHOTOS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No            |   |
| 9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |   |

FORM  
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.



16/0405Z - ~~CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, OHIO~~ 15 AUG  
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### U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

15th August 1965  
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 11 05

Hour

Minutes

(Circle One):

A.M.

or

(P.M.)

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One):

- a. Eastern
- b. Central
- c. Mountain
- d. Pacific
- e. Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle One):

- a. Daylight Saving
- b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

THACKERY, OHIO  
Nearest Postal Address

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, OHIO  
City or Town State or County

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

Hours

15 Minutes

Seconds

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined?

WRIST WATCH

5.2 Was object in sight continuously?

Yes X

No \_\_\_\_\_

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY

- a. Bright
- b. Cloudy

NIGHT

- a. Bright
- b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One):

- a. In front of you
- b. In back of you
- c. To your right

- d. To your left
- e. Overhead
- f. Don't remember



8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- b. A few
- c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight NOT FULL
- b. Dull moonlight
- c. No moonlight - pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS (Circle One):

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER (Circle One):

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: (Circle One):

- a. Solid
- b. Transparent
- c. Vapor
- d. As a light
- e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? (Circle One):

- a. Brighter
- b. Dimmer
- c. About the same
- d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

OBJECT WAS AS BRIGHT AS ANY OF THE STARS  
CLOSE TO IT

12. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
  - b. Like a bright star
  - c. Sharply outlined
  - d. Don't remember

e. Other \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- |   |            |           |            |
|---|------------|-----------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time?           | <u>Yes</u> | No        | Don't know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | Yes        | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode?              | Yes        | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| d. Give off smoke?                              | Yes        | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| e. Change brightness?                           | <u>Yes</u> | No        | Don't know |
| f. Change shape?                                | Yes        | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| g. Flash or flicker?                            | Yes        | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| h. Disappear and reappear?                      | Yes        | <u>No</u> | Don't know |



14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

OBJECT BECAME DIMMER FOR APPROX. 5 SECONDS  
THEN CAME BACK TO ORIGINAL INTENSITY.

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes ☒ No ☐ Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what  
it moved behind: \_\_\_\_\_

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes ☒ No ☐ Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what  
in front of: \_\_\_\_\_

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound NO SOUND

b. Color EXACTLY THE SAME AS A STAR

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

~~IF~~ OBJECT APPEARED TO BE EXACT SIZE OF THE  
LARGEST STAR THAT IT PASSED BY, BUT LOOKED  
AS THOUGH IT WAS MUCH CLOSER THAN A STAR.  
HARD TO DETERMINE SIZE!

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

THE OBJECT WAS TOO HIGH TO DETERMINE IF  
IT HAD WINGS, ETC. BUT IT DID NOT LEAVE A VAPOR  
TRAIL. OBJECT CAME FROM THE EAST THEN TURNED  
NORTH. OBJECT APPEARED TO STOP WHEN IT CHANGED  
DIRECTION.



20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes ☐ No ☒

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? VERY FAST

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) Yes ☐ No ☒

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? GUESS 150-200 MILES

22. Where were you located when you saw the object?

(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car CONVERTIBLE
- c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane (type)
- e. At sea
- f. Other

23. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other BOTH

24. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- a. North
- b. Northeast
- c. East
- d. Southeast
- e. South
- f. Southwest
- g. West
- h. Northwest

24.2 How fast were you moving? \_\_\_\_\_ miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes ☐ No ☐

25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

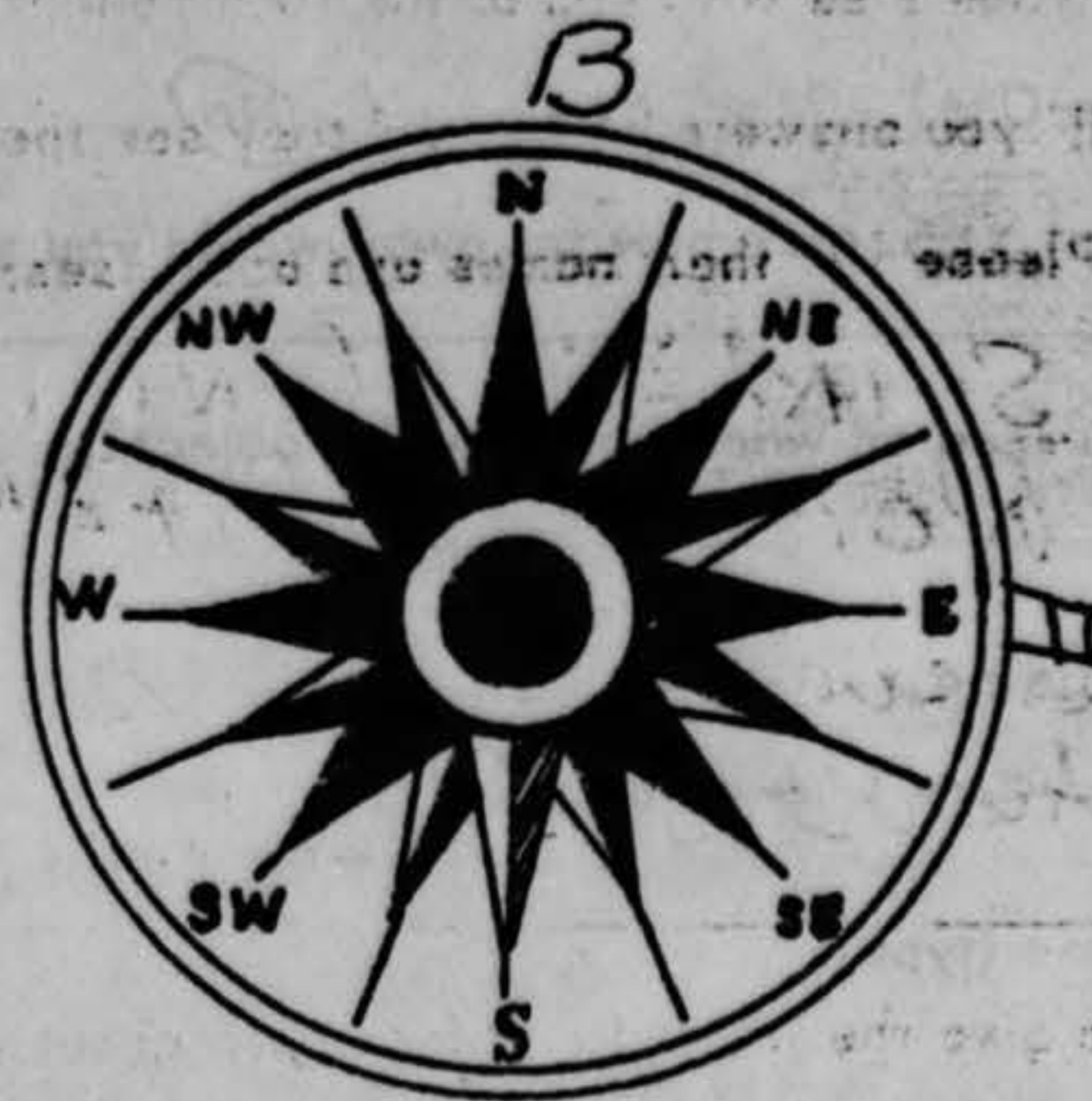
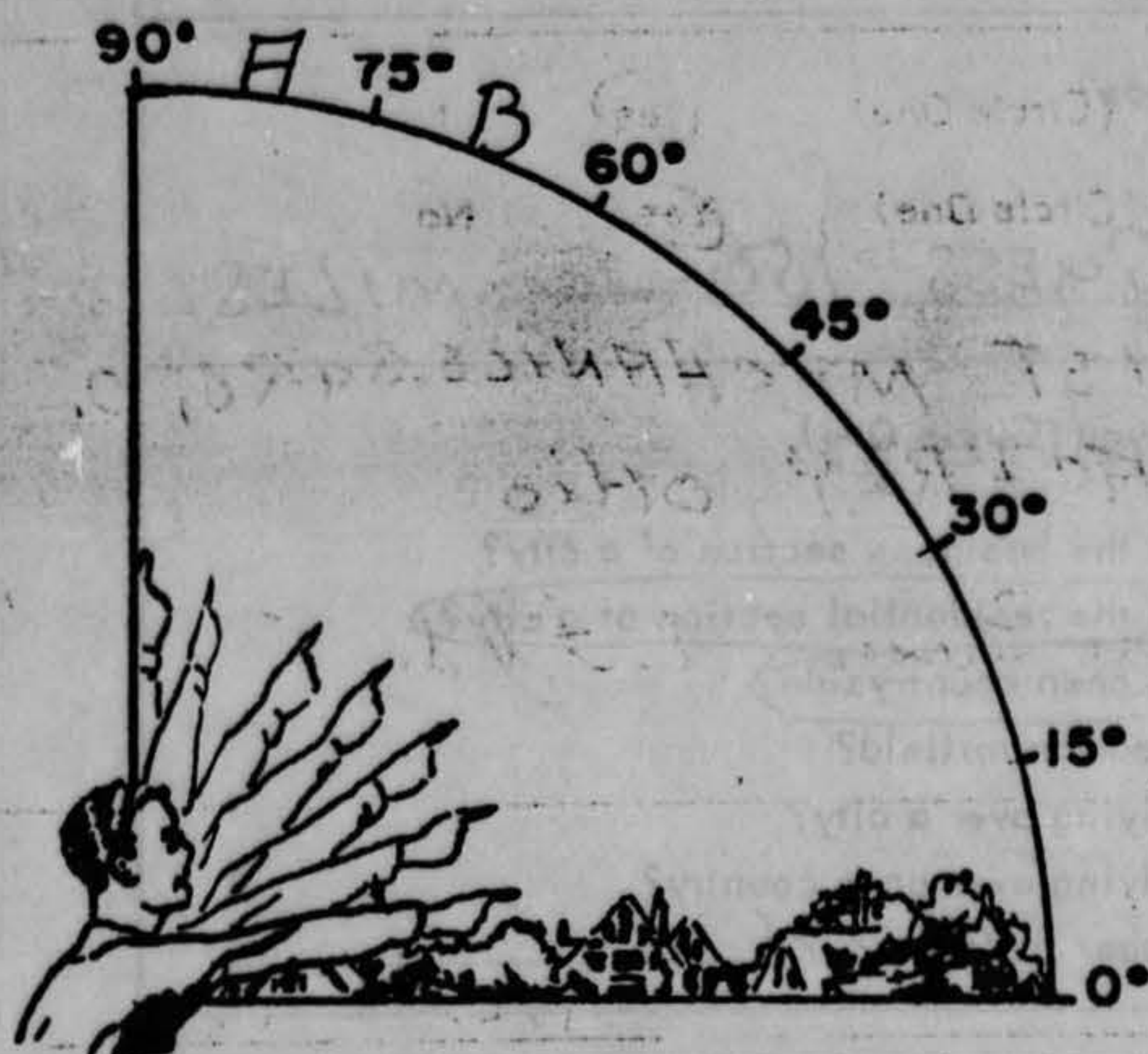
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|-----------------|---|---------------|---|
| a. Eyeglasses   | Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> | e. Binoculars | Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> |
| b. Sun glasses  | Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> | f. Telescope  | Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> |
| c. Windshield   | Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> | g. Theodolite | Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> |
| d. Window glass | Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> | h. Other      |   |

26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

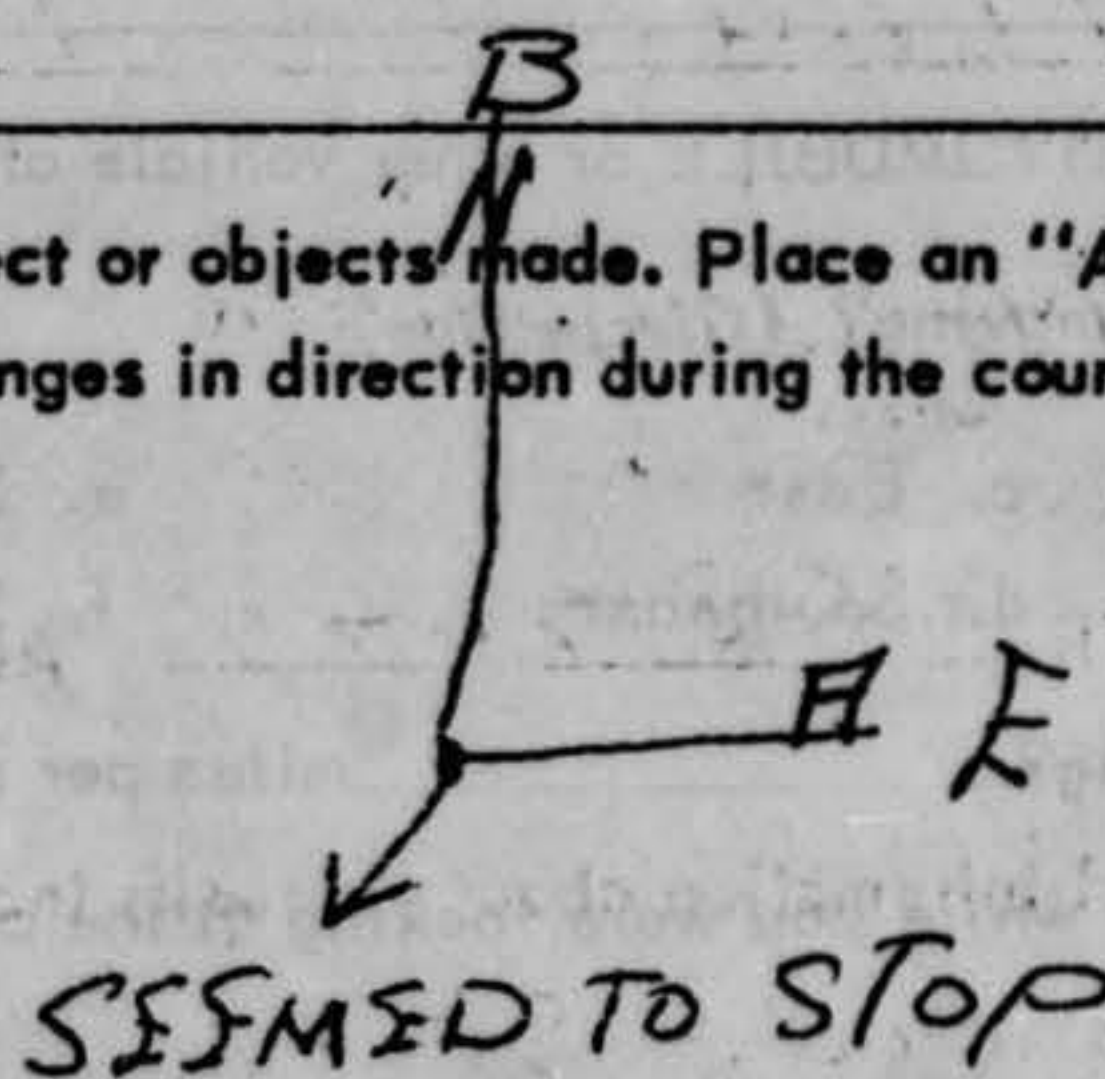
RESEMBLED A STAR - BUT DISTANCE + BRIGHTNESS  
LITTLE HARD TO DETERMINE



27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.



28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? \_\_\_\_\_

Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.



30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

No ~~This~~ This + similar reported objects have  
been reported to our Department the  
past weeks.

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? (Circle One) ☒ Yes ☐ No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? (Circle One) ☒ Yes ☐ No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ MAIN ST MECHANICSBURG, O.  
~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ THACKREY, OHIO

Several other people were present but I don't  
know their names or addresses.

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~  
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ URBANA Ohio  
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ AGE 26 SEX MALE

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

CHIEF DEPUTY SHERIFF CHAMPAIGN COUNTY

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

15TH AUGUST 1965 REPORTED TO THE  
Day Month Year SHERIFF, WHO IN TURN  
CONTACTED WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB



34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

24TH AUGUST 1965  
Day Month Year

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

If this object had not changed direction I would have thought it to be a Satellite or a very high weather Balloon, but having observed weather Balloons I have never seen a Balloon nearly this high & the object did make an approx. 90° turn (Rather it stopped & changed direction). The person that called our attention to this object. Stated to me that on the previous night that there had been 4 of these objects & that they had come from the East & went directly overhead, one of the objects being or appearing to be much larger than the other 3. This person further stated that when the objects were directly overhead the 3 smaller ones disappeared & the larger one went directly north out of sight. This man's name is Robert Shofer and he lives in Hackney, Ohio & states that there were 3 people present & observed the objects, I did not witness the 4 objects myself.